Chinese American Librarians Association: Embracing Diversity and Outreaching to the Global Community

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In 2016-2017, CALA’s membership surpassed 100, reflecting the US, mainland China, Taiwan, Canada, Singapore and other places (see figures on the right).

### Chinese American Librarians Association

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**Outreach & Building Alliances**

**CALA and ALA**

CALA has a longstanding relationship with ALA, and attracts and engages many students and professionals to ALA conferences. 45% of CALA members published in ALA’s e-journal *Hispanic Monographs*, and 27% of CALA members attend the ALA Annual Conference. CALA participates in the ALA Diversity and Outreach Fair at the ALA Annual Conference every year.

**CALA and FIA**

In September 2016, a joint venture of FIA and CALA was held on the campus of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. Eight members from CALA attended the FIA, 2016, in Urbana, Ill. CALA offers the Registration fee to CALA members.

**CALA and IA**

In September 2016, IA presented a joint venture in CALA and together with the CALA Annual Conference.

**CALA and Other Caucuses**

CALA represents students, professionals and international students from countries around the world.

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**International Journal of Librarianship (IJL)**

- [Join](http://www.ijl-journal.org) to receive exclusive offers and get your chance to publish your work.

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**CALA’s 50th Anniversary Issue**

Five major milestones: Celebrating 50 years of CALA (1972-2017):

1. **CALA Newsletter**
   - Published to keep members informed:

2. **CALA National Conference**
   - Preceded by an official 50th anniversary banquet and book sale

3. **CALA Members**
   - Membership surpassed 5,000

4. **Spotlight on CALA Members**
   - Highlighting individuals who have contributed to CALA

5. **CALA and ALA**
   - CALA members are also ALA members, and vice versa

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**CALA Annual Program**

- The 21st Century Librarian Seminar was held in Chicago, Chicago.

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**2016 CALA Leadership Academy**

- A unique educational opportunity for students, professionals and international students from countries around the world.

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**Books for China Project**

- The Books for China Project was established in response to the Chinese Civil War. 100 books and 8 tires of used paper were purchased for distribution to the poor.

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**2016 Membership Data**

- Total membership for 2016: 277
- Members from the United States: 223
- Members from China: 65
- Members from Singapore: 12
- Members from Canada: 8
- Members from Canada: 7
- Members from Unknown: 2

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**CALA Workgroup**

- A closed group but anyone who's interested in the CALA Workgroup can join.

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